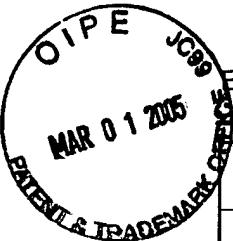


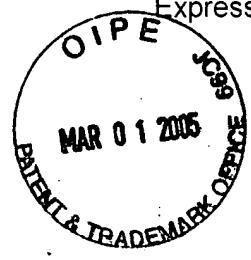
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Application No. 10/090,986-Conf. #7500		Filing Date March 4, 2002		Examiner F. L. Stinson	
Applicant(s): Hedges et al.					
Invention: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR REMOVAL OF CONTAMINATES FROM PHASESHIFT PHOTOMASKS					
<b>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS</b>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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Sir:

The present communication responds to the Office Action dated December 1, 2004 in the above-identified application. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.